

Remarks

By the present amendment, claims 8 and 9 have been amended to more particularly and distinctly describe the invention. Claims 1-7 have been cancelled without prejudice.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §102(a)

Claims 1-7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Khrimian et al. By the present amendment, claims 1-7 have been canceled without prejudice. As such this rejection is now moot.

Claim Objections

Claims 8 and 9 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. Claims 8 and 9 have been amended to correct this alleged deficiency. As such, this object has been obviated.

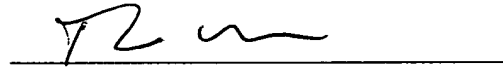
Conclusion

As all of the outstanding rejections and objections have been addressed and all of the claims are believed to be in condition for allowance, the Applicants respectfully request a Notice of Allowability upon be issued in the instant application. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative should any further issues arise.

Respectfully submitted,

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